



Welcome back to another term of exciting learning. I hope you have all had a wonderful well deserved Christmas break. We are looking forward to hearing all about what the children have been doing over the holidays. As we enter a new term we are really excited about what we have ahead of us this term. As always we have planned for a hands on learning journey in which all the children will be given the chance to enhance their learning in an exciting and purposeful way. We will continue to reinforce our school rules, respect, ready and safe and I am sure all the children will reflect these values as role models for our West Vale Academy family.

Maths

Reception

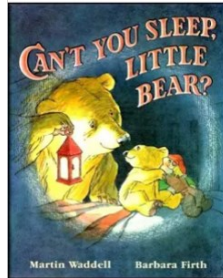
The children will develop their knowledge of 6,7,8— learning to represent the numbers, understand the composition of the numbers and understand 1 more and 1 less

Year 1

Will continue to develop their understanding of numbers to 20 then continue up to 50. Understanding their composition and place value.

Year 2

Will continue with addition and subtraction up to 100 before moving onto multiplication and division



English:

Reception and Year 1 will continue with Talk Through Stories— Can't you sleep little bear.

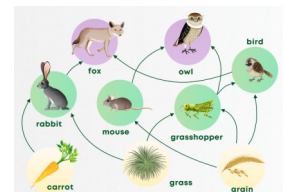
The year 1's will begin to complete SPAG lessons building on knowledge of sentence structures.

Year 2 will complete work on Lost and Found including creating a lost poster and writing their own instructions to make a penguin.

Science:

Living things and their environment

The children will begin to understand the difference between things that are alive, things that are dead and things that are inanimate (have never been alive). The children will begin to ask questions about the differences between these things will help children to think scientifically. They will build on knowledge of different types of animals as they learn about habitats including rainforests, deserts, meadows and underground habitats.



History

How are schools different

The children will explore what schools were like in the past and compare this to modern day schools.



PSHE

Safety and the changing body

The children will learn how to stay safe on the internet and what to do if something makes them feel uncomfortable.

Art—Painting and mixed media

The children will learn the primary and secondary colours, colour mixing, and creating textures using different tools. They will also cover collage techniques, encouraging to experiment with materials and evaluate their artistic choices.

Class messages:

PE will take place on a Thursday and a Friday

Homework will be sent home on a Friday, can this be returned on a Wednesday.

YEAR 1 and 2 —will have a spelling test on a Friday morning.

The children should be reading at daily at home—Please can parents/ guardians remember to write in the reading records. The children will be given team points depending on how much they have read at home.

Important dates to remember:

14th February—Valentines disco

14th February—Break up